

The Watchman and Southern.

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PERSONAL.

Miss Edna Tobin has returned to the city after a very pleasant visit to friends in Charleston.

Mr. Bently Gibson has gone to Savannah to take up his work there during the cotton season.

Mr. Edgar Haynsworth states in a communication to a friend in this city that things in England are in a pretty bad way. He says that he is anxious to leave for home but is unable to do so as his ship is waiting to be coaled and it is probable that it will take several weeks to get a supply.

Mr. W. D. McLeod, of Oswego, returned last week from a trip to Hot Spring, Ark., and other points in the southwest.

Mr. Geo. P. Booth, of Ulm, is in the city on business.

Miss Ulrica Pate has gone to Brickton, N. C., to visit relatives.

Miss Abbie Bryan has returned from a stay in New York city where she went to study kindergarten methods at Columbia University.

Some of those who went to Columbia to attend the reunion and the session of the Sons of Veterans were Messrs. D. M. Campbell, O. E. Bostick, R. Mood Brown, H. G. Hill, Sam Newman.

Mrs. A. J. Moses has returned from a trip to Pawley's Island.

Miss Annie McCullough, of Darlington, is visiting in the city.

Miss Mignonne Lowman, of Orangeburg, is the guest of Miss Carita Randle on Washington street.

Mr. Preston Timms, of Manning, is visiting Mr. Walter Clark.

Mr. W. J. Mimms of the Standard Oil Company is in town for a few days.

Mrs. Charles Curtis and Miss Mary Britton have returned to the city after a visit to Pageland.

Miss Annie Strohecker, of Charleston, is spending awhile with Miss Marguerite Walker in Greenville.

Miss Lou Pate is spending this week in Columbia.

Dr. and Mrs. Jenkins Pope, of Edisto Island, are spending some time in the city this week.—Charleston Post.

Mr. Bartow Walsh, Jr., has returned to the city from a pleasant visit to Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Whitehead have returned from a very pleasant trip to Philadelphia.

A party of Daltzell folk consisting of Messrs. R. L. Burkett, H. B. Boykin, T. J. Cummings and A. F. Smith went over to Columbia Wednesday.

Mr. R. M. Jenkins, Jr., of St. Charles, was in the city for awhile Wednesday.

Miss Mary Pitts, of Greeleyville, passed through the city Tuesday afternoon on her way home after a pleasant stay at Glenn Springs.

Miss Leslie Jones, of Brogdon, is visiting friends and relatives at Bennettsville and McColl.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Levi have returned from a trip to Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Jennings have returned to the city after a visit to relatives in Rock Hill.

Mr. James Bull, of Stateburg, who has been confined to the Sumter hospital for more than eight weeks recovering from an operation after an attack of appendicitis, is much improved and was able to leave the city Wednesday for his home.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sumter will learn with regret that their son, Thomas, is seriously ill in Charleston. Mrs. Sumter is in Charleston during his illness.

Mr. Phillip Wineman, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harby, has returned to his home in Charleston.

Mr. J. W. McKeiver has returned from a trip to Charleston.

Mrs. S. C. Bryan is visiting relatives in the city.

Death of An Infant.

On Wednesday at 2 a. m. Charley Cooper, the two and a half-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cooper, died at the residence of his parents on Broad street after a very short illness.

The body was taken to Timmons-ville that morning on the 7:30 train where the interment will take place.

Several merchants on Main street have arranged with the Sumter Lighting Company to have "Great White Way" arches erected in front of their places of business. This is an excellent idea and if a majority of the merchants in the business district will adopt this plan Sumter will be the most brilliantly illuminated town in the State. It is stated that the cost of an arch will be moderate and the lighting bill will be reasonable.

DR. W. H. WOODS IN TOWN.

Has Just Returned From Trip to England—Will Locate in Florence.

Friends of Dr. W. H. Woods, formerly of Clarendon county, now of Lake City, S. C., Wednesday greeted him on his return from London, England, where Dr. Woods has just finished specializing on eye, ear, nose and throat.

While in England Dr. Woods' services were sought for by two of the largest hospitals. In fact, he was clinical assistant at the Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital and the Central London Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital.

Dr. Woods was accompanied on his trip by his wife and baby, "Hagood," as he is familiarly called by his hosts of friends in Sumter, will locate in Florence.

BEATTIE JURY PANEL CHOSEN.

Today Begins Testimony in Richmond Murder Case—Fire Near Jail.

Chesterfield, C. H., Va., Aug. 23.—The jury which will decide whether Henry Beattie, Jr., of Richmond, shall go to the electric chair, convicted of wife murder, was completed today. The battle for a human life will begin at 10 o'clock tomorrow, to which hour the Court adjourned. The Commonwealth then will call its first witness.

The prisoner was locked up for the night in the small jail here and will not be returned to the Richmond jail during the trial. His gray-haired father embraced him and journeyed home in a dusty public conveyance surrounded by the curious populace.

St. Phillip's, Bradford Springs.

The Rev. H. H. Covington will hold service at St. Phillip's church, Bradford Springs, next Sunday, August 27th at 11 o'clock in the morning.

Telephone "girls" in Germany cannot work after the age of seventy, though they can retire on pension prior to that advanced day. Positions are obtained by civil service examination. The average on entering the business must be near thirty, and, as many remain for life, it would be ungallant to speak intimately of ages. Discharges cannot be effected without considerable red tape. When an operator has worked up to \$450 a year and \$150 extra for house rent, she stays at that pay until on pension.

A party of automobilists from Florence came over in three automobiles Wednesday afternoon and stopped for a short while in the city.

THINKS WILL HAVE GAS.

Mr. Rieha Talks of His Conference Held With City Council With a View to Establishing Gas Works Here.

From the Daily Item, Aug. 23.

Mr. Edward I. Rieha, of Baltimore, who has been here for the past two days, looking over the situation with a view of interesting Baltimore capitalists in establishing a gas plant in Sumter, appeared before City Council at their meeting last night to tell them what he thought of the situation.

Mr. Rieha stated to the Council that, as a gas engineer and contractor, he had first been interested in the Sumter project by the Bartlett-Heyward Company, of Baltimore, who had requested him to come here with the purpose of interesting other Baltimore capitalists in purchasing from them their interests in a gas plant begun here by them some two years ago, but which they had been unable to finish, said Mr. Rieha, and having constructed already several large gas plants for the Baltimore Utilities Company, I will tell them of the result of my visit to this city, and endeavor to have some of the firm come here and see for themselves.

The most important feature of his visit, Mr. Rieha stated, was to confer with City Council with a view of securing a liberal franchise for the proposed gas works.

After hearing Mr. Rieha's views, Mayor Jennings suggested that the old franchise be examined by Mr. Rieha and be presented by him to Council with any alterations which he had deemed fit to make, and that if this franchise was approved by Council it would be acted upon at their next meeting.

In speaking of his conference with City Council last night, Mr. Rieha stated to an Item reporter that he would not consider any franchise which would not be mutually beneficial. He stated further that, if the gas plant should be built by The Baltimore Utilities Company it would be up-to-date in every respect, and could take care of a city twice the size of Sumter for a generation.

Mr. Rieha, personally, is a clever-speaking gentleman, and seems charmed with the prospects of superintending the construction of a gas plant here. "I know Sumter would be a charming place to spend the winter," he said. When the inquisitive reporter called attention to the kodak Mr. Rieha held in his hand: "Yes, I have taken about twenty views of your beautiful city," Mr. Rieha said. "I wish to show those fellows up North just what an interesting and progressive town you have, and then you know

pretty views, such as you have here, are always appreciated."

A number of the business men of the city, accompanied by Mr. Rieha went to Pocalla Springs in automobile this morning where they were served a tempting breakfast. They will also have dinner at the springs.

BRICK PASS "RATTLER" TEST.

Abrasion Only 12 1-2 Per Cent When 2 Per Cent Is Allowed.

On Wednesday the first test of the brick which are being laid on Main street was made by Major W. L. Lee, city engineer at Edgar Skinner's shop, and the brick successfully passed the "rattler" test, with a large margin left over for further abrasion.

The test is something unique and the name—"rattler" test—is a good one for it. The test that was made Wednesday was on nine brick picked out at random from a pile of brick. The brick were weighed and then placed in the "rattler," a big barrel with iron sides to it. Along with the brick was placed in the "rattler" cast iron slugs of various sizes and shapes weighing from a few ounces to more than a dozen pounds. One hundred and fifty odd pounds of these slugs were put in the drum with the brick and the engine was turned on.

Over and over went the barrel, twenty-five or thirty times a minute and the sounds that issued forth from the "rattler" almost deafened one who was near the scene of the test. From the sounds that emanated from the drum as the bricks and slugs fell and rattled against its sides one would have thought that everything in the barrel was being ground up to fine powder. Occasionally red powder from the brick sifted through the cracks in the drum and the looker-on was sure now that the bricks were ground to fine dust and there was no further use in turning, but such was not the case for when the "rattler" was at last opened after more than an hour of turning and churning, there were the brick. It is true they were somewhat the worse for wear, but they were still brick and almost as large as when they were put into the "rattler." The edges were worn smooth and there were little pecks in the sides of the bricks, with one or two little pieces nicked off, but otherwise the brick were still there.

They were weighed the second time and found to come up to the standard test. While 20 per cent is the amount allowed for in the test, the brick stood the test better even than that. The abrasion did not amount to more than 12 1-2 per cent—thus allowing for 7 1-2 per cent more abrasion than really occurred.

There has been considerable criticism of those who have the work in charge that there has been no test,

up to this time, of the brick that are being laid on the street, and it is hoped that the test that the brick have now creditably passed will satisfy all concerned.

ABOUT THE S. C. C. I.

Some Facts In Regard to the Institution as Given By the President.

Elsewhere in this paper appears an advertisement of the South Carolina Co-educational Institute. In speaking of his school the president says:

"I have been president of the institution for twenty years. The faculty is composed of fifteen successful and experienced professors who have received their education at the best colleges and universities in the United States. The course of study is thorough and up-to-date. Graduates of our institution may be found all over South Carolina, filling positions of honor and trust. Last session there were 168 students who represented every section of South Carolina and the States of Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Kentucky, and Virginia. The military department is supplied with improved cadet rifles and all military accoutrements. The institution has always been a success and its patronage comes from the very best families in the State. Board tuition, and fees for the entire school cost only \$180.00. For the past eighteen years Sumter County has always had quite a number of students in the South Carolina Co-Educational Institute. Mr. Dwight Cain, who for a number of years was Superintendent of Education of Sumter County is a graduate of our institute, along with a number of others from Sumter County."

FOR SALE—My noted cow, Clara, seven years old; calf twelve weeks, weaned. Has given 19 1-2 quarts milk and one pound, nine ounces butter a day. Price \$100.00. Mrs. D. B. McLaurin, Wedgefield, S. C. 8-23-1t.

FOR SALE—A desirable farm, containing about 44 acres, located one mile from St. Charles, S. C., known as the Mt. Zion parsonage tract, will be sold at public auction on Thursday, September 14th, inst., at 11 o'clock. At above place, over 200 acres in fine state of cultivation, fine old settlement with large two-story dwelling, out buildings and necessary tenant houses. In excellent neighborhood, near good schools and churches. To be sold in whole or part, as may be practicable. One-third cash and balance on easy terms. For further information, apply to L. F. Mongcomery, Bishopville, S. C. Secty of Committee. 8-26-3S

In The Police Court.

The fight against the vagrants is still going on in the city, one being caught and brought up before the Recorder every few days. The cases in court Thursday were:

J. B. Hicks, public drunkenness, forfeited bond of \$5.00.

Geo. McDonald, vagrancy, \$15 or 30 days.

Johnnie Dingle, petit larceny, \$15 or 30 days.

Johnnie Dingle, vagrancy, discharged.

Preparations are going on for the widening of Caldwell street. Some time ago four feet fronting on Harvin street was given to the city by Messrs. Manning, Rowland and Shore for this purpose and an equal width was purchased from Kress and Company, so that the street could be widened uniformly.

Miss Lydia Bushnell Smith, graduate of Vassar, lineal descendant of a colonial governor and secretary of one of the most noted American institutions in Paris, to wit, the Student hostel, has resigned her secretarial position and purchased a farm near Florence to raise olives for the American market.

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